

**PRICE ONE PENNY.**

PRICE 1d.

SYDNEY, TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1898

Nº. 18.738.

**JACK**  
is NOT AT HOME to-day, however badly anyone may  
WANT him. That is the answer callers at the office

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL will get, at any rate for  
present, the HON. JOHN A. to be congratulated on  
MANY CONSISTENCY, and we have no doubt he  
do his best to knock that PROMISED HOLE in

**THE FEDERATION DRUM.**

MEANWHILE,

**EASTER DRAWS NEAR,**

and in spite of the protest of storekeepers in the south  
down, visitors are rushing Sydney in thousands. They  
are A GRATEFUL, and these close country men &  
women, and they are DEEPLY THANKFUL, for our U-  
TO-DATE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS for affording  
them so cheap an opportunity of seeing the

**TWO GREAT EASTER SHOWS,**

VIZ. :-

**ANTHONY HORDERN'S**  
AND  
**THE AGRICULTURAL SHOW,**  
seeing which and doing business thereat will fully occupy  
the time of  
**COUNTRY COUSINS**  
**UP FOR THE SHOW.**  
**FASHIONABLE GARMENTS**  
FOR  
**EASTER HOLIDAY WEAR,**  
and useful afterwards for everyday purposes. **GOING TO**  
**CHURCH IN,** and for all sundry occasions.

**SHORT DAINTY CAPES,**  
in the mode! Dainty, PIGANT, pretty! Never out  
of place! Suitable for all! For FASHIONABLE FAIRIES  
and FANCY DANDIES, as well as for all the in-  
termediate sizes and sorts!  
BLACK SERVO CAPES, smartly shaped and trimmed  
JEFFER PUFFS, wcd. 1st sd, 1st sd, 1st sd.  
BLACK and WHITE SERVO CAPES, smartly shaped and trimmed  
JEFFER PUFFS, 1st sd, 1st sd, 2nd sd, 2nd sd.  
STYLISH COLOURED CLOTH CAPES, short design  
BLACK and WHITE CAPES, Brown, Fawn, Red, or Green  
wcd, 1st sd, 1st sd.  
USEFUL FLOUT CAPES, seamless Texture, Puff  
Brown, Navy, Myrtle, or Red, 1st sd, 1st sd, 2nd sd, 2nd sd.

**CHOICE MODEL CAPES.**  
A few of the most strikingly stylish the season has pro-  
duced. Please note the low prices we ask, and for  
STAGGERED inquirers at other houses for similar goods.  
CHOCOLATE, BROWN, NAVY, MYRTLE, or RED, 1st sd, 1st sd, 2nd sd, 2nd sd.  
Trimmed, Cuff, Applique, or Black Broad, Black

Light Navy, Dark Brown, Navy, or Lincoln Green  
22s 9d, 24s 6d, 25s.

**FASHIONABLE CLOAKS,**  
THREE-QUARTER LENGTH,  
EXQUISITELY COZY AND DELICIOUSLY warm, are  
the very quintessence of fashion, as follows:  
BLACK BRUSH, heavily trimmed with jet, trimmed  
JET BRUSH or FUR, 12s 6d, 14s 6d, 16s 6d, 18s 6d.  
BLACK BRUSH, handsomely trimmed Satin and CLOTH  
TRIMMED, 12s 6d, 14s 6d, 16s 6d, 18s 6d.  
BLACK SUEDE, richly trimmed Jets and Thibet Fur  
22s 6d, 24s 6d, 26s.  
COLOURED CLOTH, heavy texture, suitable for travel  
and driving wear, Navy, Brown, Green, or Navy  
18s 6d, 21s 6d, 24s 6d.

**STYLISH CLOTH JACKETS.**  
The unusual cheapness of these goods, combined with  
the fact that they are **CLEAN**, **THE MODE**, should be  
a strong recommendation in their favor. The variety

as follows:—  
BLACK or FAYE BUDGE, Velvet Collar, and Double-  
breasted Fur, 100 yds, 15s 6d; or, with Fur  
Collar, the top, 15s 6d.  
BLACK CLOTH, Open or Double-breasted Shapes, lined  
SILK throughout, 100 yds, 15s 6d.  
DARK BROWN or BLACK JACKETS, with collar as  
fronted—open Fur, 200 yds, 6d.  
BLACK or NAVY BLUE "RUSSIAN" JACKETS—  
trimmed broad, very stylish, 200 yds, 20s 6d, 42s.

**TAILOR-MADE**  
**COAT AND SKIRT COSTUMES.**

NO LADY'S WARDROBE is complete without at least  
TWO or THREE of these admirable COSTUMES. FASHION-  
ABLE, ELEGANT, and COMFORTABLE, they are of an  
excellent wear and always LOOKING NICE, they are  
UNRIVALLED.

USEFUL COAT AND SKIRT COSTUMES. Black or Navy  
Blue—VELVET and SILK, with double-breasted

open front, or lion shape, 12s 6d, 13s 6d, 20s 6d.  
**STYLISH COAT** & **SKIRT** COSTUME, Black or Navy  
 Grey, open front, 12s 6d, 13s 6d, 20s 6d.  
**DAINTY SWEET** or **CLAY** COAT and **SKIRT** CO-  
 COSTUME, Navy, Black, Fawn, or Brown, smart hip  
 shape, trimmed level, 12s 6d, 13s 6d, 20s 6d.  
**ELEGANT COAT** and **SKIRT** COSTUME, in **Page**  
**Twelve**, Plain Cloth, or Serge, Shapes either **double**  
**breasted** or **single**, with **open** or **closed** front, Fawn  
 Grey, Myrie, Brown, or **any** one of the **new** shades.  
**CHARMING MODELS**, in **all** the **new** Shapes, and  
 various colorings, 20s to 35s.

**ANTHONY HORDERN AND SONS**  
 UNIVERSAL PROVIDERS,  
 HAEMASSEE, (ONLY)

**HAIRMARK (ONLY).**

"THE Tailor makes the Man."—THE REFORM  
TAILOR'S Ready-made Clothing for Quality, Style  
and Work is FAR SUPERIOR to any in the colony. Magni-  
ficent Winter Suits, 25s. 6d. 63, 71 Regent-st., Adelaide.

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**RNOLD'S**  
**BLUE-BLACK** } **ASK FOR THEM!**  
**INKS.**

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**THEY ARE FREE FROM SEDIMENT.**  
**THEY ARE PERMANENT INKS.**

Highest Award at Chicago Exhibition, '93.  
Used by Government of N.S.W.  
Wholesale: Feldheim, Gotthelf, and Co.  
Retail: The Stationers.

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**AUTUMN SUITINGS.**  
EX-RE AUSTRAL.  
JUST OPENED.  
**DAVID BIRAHAM AND CO.,**  
TAILORS AND OUTFITTERS,  
75 KING-STREET.

**Meetings.**

**A**N ADDRESS ON THE DRAFT CONSTITUTION as the late FEDERAL CONVENTION will be delivered in the City Hall on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6th, at 8 p.m., by Mr. A. F. CANAWAY.

LT.-COL. Campbell, of the Scottish Rifles, is the chair.

"THE Australian Constitution of 1906."—Hon. EDMUND Barton (CON-FED.) School of Arts, Burwood.

**A**UTHORIAL FEDERATION and the Convention Hall Address by Mr. F. E. M'CAN, M.P., Exeter, Hants. HARRISVILLE, TO-NIGHT, Tuesday, at 8 o'clock. The Mayor (Alderman Benson) will preside.

**F**EDERATION.—W. W. REED, TO-NIGHT, Rotunda, Captain Cook Hotel, on "Annoy Criticism."

**A**UTHORIAL ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION.

**M**EETING TO-NIGHT, at 8, at the Bazaar, Regent

ice-buildings, George-street.  
 J. H. GELLING, Esq.,  
 Mrs. Howell, Esq.,  
 Miss Howell, Esq.,  
 "The Present Position of the Federation  
 Proposals," by Mr. Duckworth,  
 Discussion of Presidential Address.  
 J. H. GELLING, Esq.,  
 E. H. GARRIAN, Esq.

**CAPTAIN JOHN STRACHAN, J.P.**, will address the  
 Masters and Engineers to-NIGHT in St. Paul's  
 Schoolroom at 8.30.

**JOHN BENNETT, Secretary.**

**BELMORE DIVISION.**—**Harry Furness** will address  
 Election, Car of Lumsden Hotel, S. H. To-night, at  
 8.30.

**TO-NIGHT, 29**, Meeting re Federation, from social  
 standpoint, 221 Castling-st. Residents, others free.

**ATHLETIC JOCKEY CLUB**

A Regular MEETING will be held at the office of the  
 Club, 14 Castling-street, THIS DAY, the 28th April  
 1898, at 4 o'clock p.m.

**T. S. CLIBBORN, Secy.**

**THE WICKHAM AND BULLOCK ISLAND COASTAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, Limited.**

The Half-yearly General MEETING of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Chambers of Messrs. Wyndham, on MONDAY, the 29th APRIL, inst. at 12 o'clock noon.—To Receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the Half-year ending the 31st March 1900; to Elect a Director in the Room of Dr. A. K. McLean, who retires by rotation, but is eligible for re-election; and others himself accordingly; to Elect Two Auditors in the place of Messrs. J. M. M. Arnold and C. F. Howard, who also retire by rotation, and are eligible for re-election; and to transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

By order of the Board.  
G. H. ALDERTON,  
Acting Secretary.

Friday, 4th April, 1899.

N.B.—The Share Register will be Closed for the transaction of business from the 1st to the 10th April, 1900.

**Building Materials-**

**F.** J. MILLER and CO  
19 Duncan-street, off Bathurst-street  
STEAM SAW and JOINERY MILL,  
are Selling all kinds of  
TIMBER, GALLY, THON, DOORS, &c.,  
AT THE LOWEST PRICES IN SYDNEY, FOR CASH  
ONLY.  
SAWING and DRESSING done for the Trade.

**Q** QUANTITY second-hand Timber and Corrugated Iron  
for Sale, cheap. Mayo, Elvinstreet, Leichhardt.



**TUESDAY, 5th APRIL** at 11.30 a.m.

**FOR POSITIVE SALE, BY AUCTION,**  
**AT THE MART, 120 FIFT-STREET.**

Under instructions from  
Messrs. GIBBS, SMITH, and COMPANY,  
THE CYLON TEA SHIPPERS' ASSOCIATION,  
The INDIAN TEA SHIPPERS' ASSOCIATION,  
and other importers.

500 PACKAGES  
**NEW SEASON'S CYLON TEAS,**  
Now landing ex s.s. "Australia" and "Polydora,"  
from Colombo.

PKG. CIGARETTES, PKG. CIGARETTES, PKG. CIGARETTES, PKG. CIGARETTES  
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 being invoices of high-grade high-grown Tosa.  
 Also,  
 572 Packages  
**NEW SEASON'S INDIAN TEAS,**  
 viz. No. 1 "Lurien," from Calcutta.  
 PKG. SUGAR, PKG. SUGAR, and PKG. SUGAR  
 KOLA, from the Islands, Darjeeling, Assam, and Sylhet  
 Districts.  
 840 PACKAGES.  
 And  
 UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE IMPORTERS,  
 4 Casks and 1 Case TOBACCO LEAF  
 30 Half Barrels BARRINGEN

20 BONES JOINT FRIGUES  
 20 Cakes LANTERNS  
 20 Cakes KING FISH  
 20 BONES JUVANATED ALMONDS  
 20 Cakes HOL-BEER & VINGER  
 100 BONES ROTATED AFFICOTS, PEACHES  
 20 Cakes NORWEDIAN ASCROVIES  
 20 Ditts OX TONGUES  
 20 Ditts SAFETY MATCHES  
 2 Cwt. LONDON MIXTURES  
 20 Cakes CROWN RAB ROAF  
 20 Ditts ASCROVIES  
 20 Ditts WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE  
 (no other leave in)  
 GENERAL GROCERIES, OILMEN'S STORES, WINES  
 and SPIRITS, &c., &c.  
 TO-MORROW,  
 WEDNESDAY, 6th APRIL, at 11 a.m.

18 Dns. GALVANIZED BUCKETS  
 20 Dts. DRAIN TUBS, Assorted Sizes  
 2 Cases PICKLE-LIN WARE, Dinner and Tea Sets, &  
 10 Cans DOUBLE TAPE FT'S  
 10 Cases HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS  
 10 Dts. SUPERIOR BRUSHWARE  
 10 Dts. AXLE GREASE  
 5 Dts. CHINA CUPS and SAUCERS  
 5 Ton DRAPERS' HEAVY CAP. PAPER

20 Cases EARthenWARE, Cups and Saucers, Plates  
&c.  
10 Boxes HORSE NAILS  
5 Bales SKAMING TWINE  
and  
2 Cases SUPERIOR CUTLERY  
and Other Lines in  
GENERAL HARDWARE, IRONMONGERY,  
CROCKERY and GLASSWARE, &c.

CATALOGUES OF SALES for the week obtainable  
at the Rooms, or posted on application.

**HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY**  
(late Harris and Ackman),  
Auctioneers and Valuers,  
109 Pitt-street.

**NORTH SYDNEY.**

THIS DAY,  
TUESDAY, 5th APRIL, at 11 a.m.  
**ATTRACTIVE UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION**  
at the (Grand-)  
Mrs. W. M. RAKE.  
CONLAND,  
ALFRED-STREET (between -), NORTH SYDNEY  
in consequence of her projected departure for  
Europe per H.M.S. Arcadia.  
  
The Whole of her  
**VERY SUPERIOR FURNITURE**  
and  
**COSTLY HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS,**  
comprising  
**GLASS, CHINA, and ELECTROPLATE.**

**HANDSOME DINING-ROOM FURNITURE.**  
BEST QUALITY BRUSSELS CARPETS AND LINOLEUMS, VALUABLE CLOCKS, AND CHOICE ORNAMENTS.

**ELEGANT DRAWING-ROOM APPOINTMENTS,**  
including  
**ELEGANT QUEEN ANNE CHAMBER,** in Solid Walnut fitted with Chinese and English furniture; the back fitted with bevelled-silver Mirrors, &c.

**VALUABLE COLLECTION OF FINELY-EXECUTED WATER-COLOUR DRAWINGS.**

**MAGNIFICENT UPRIGHT GRAND  
RONISCH PIANOFORTE.**

\* \* This French Instrument cannot be too highly

THE SUPERIOR APPOINTMENTS OF  
THREE BEDROOMS.  
BLACK AND BROWN LEATHERS, furnished with  
curled horsehair mattresses, &c.  
BED and TABLE LINEN.  
Kosher Gas Stove, Kitchens Utensils, Garden Hose, &c.  
&c.

**HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY**  
(Late HARRIS and ACKMAN)  
have been favored with a consignment of Mrs. W. M.  
HARRIS to conduct the important sale by auction at her  
residence, as above,  
THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 11 a.m.

ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.  
THIS DAY,  
**TUESDAY, 5th APRIL, at 2.30 p.m.**  
AT THE MART, 199 FITT-STREET.  
FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.  
SUPERIOR  
**COLONIAL-MADE FURNITURE,**  
Also,  
For Positive Sale, by Order of the Shipper.  
**ARTISTIC BAMBOO HALL STANDS and OVER  
MANTELS  
ELEGANT DRAWING-ROOM SUITES and OCCA-  
SIONAL CHAIRS.**

FIVE VERY SUPERIOR PERAMBULATORS  
 &c., &c.

**HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY**  
 (late HARRIS and ACKMAN)  
 will sell by auction as above, at THE MART, 100 PITT  
 STREET, THIS DAY, at 2.30 P.M.

TO-MORROW,  
**WEDNESDAY, 6th APRIL, at 11 a.m.**  
 FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,  
 AT THE MART, 100 PITT-STREET.  
 On Amount of Whom it May Concern.  
 With All Realise (if any).

In Accordance with Survey Report.  
Ex Gift of Bethesda, from Liverpool.  
**BORING TUBES.**  
 Lot 1. 40 Lengths 6in. BORING TUBES = 0097, rusted.  
 Lot 2. 37 Lengths 6in. BORING TUBES = 1277, badly  
 rusted.  
 Lot 3. 68 Lengths 6in. BORING TUBES = 10087, rusted.  
 Lot 4. 140 Lengths 6in. BORING TUBES = 21287, badly  
 rusted.  
 THE RULE is now open for inspection at Storey, 125  
 Kent-street. SAMPLE LOAD now on view at the Mill.

**HENRY HARRIS AND COMPANY**  
(late HARRIS and ACKMAN)  
will sell the ABOVE BY AUCTION, at the Mart, 109  
Fitz-street, on WEDNESDAY, April 6th, at 11 a.m.

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**STRATHFIELD.**

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**TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 11 a.m.**

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**STRONGMAN AND WATSON**  
have been favoured with instructions from

To Sell by Auction, without Reserve, at  
 ARUNDEL, BELMYRE-ROAD,  
 THE SUPERIOR FURNITURE AND  
 APPOINTMENTS THROUGHOUT.  
 Large new Charming Water-colours and Oils &  
 BELFROID PIANOFORTE  
 VERY HANDSOME CHAIRS and LINOLUM  
 Telescope Table, Bedroom suite  
 SUPERIOR BEDSTEADS and BEDDING of several  
 LARGE DOORCASE, SHELVES, BOOKS  
 Hugestall Bed, Study Furnishings  
 WALNUT HALL, for the Parlor, Manse's  
 LARGEST QUANTITY GENERAL MERCHANDISE  
 Garden Seats, Tools, Mower, Hoe

and lots of other furniture.

Inspection Murring of Sale. Terms, Cash.

Auctioneers' Office—Barwood Station.

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**THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 2 p.m.**

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STANLEY-STREET, BIRMINGHAM.

UNRESERVED SALE OF THE FOLLOWING GOLD FURNITURE,  
WELL-DRESSED RAY MARK, FOLTRY.

Also  
BRICK COTTAGE AND LAND, ALL FOR CASH.  
By order of Mr. GEORGE H. WELLS, who is leaving for  
Leipstad.

The Furniture, Sewing Machine, and Effects are all in  
very clean condition, and on view at 1 o'clock, prior to Sale  
at 2 p.m.

The Mare is a perfect model, quiet in s. and b. and very

fast and favorably known in the  
the County of Wick. **CASTLERAGH STREET, RUEWOO  
HEIGHTS, and will be a bargain for cash. This, Tuesday  
Inspection invited this day before late at 2 p.m.  
**STRONGMAN and a son,  
AUCTIONEERS.****

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**PRELIMINARY NOTICE.**

At the Rooms, 51 **CASTLERAGH STREET, City,  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6,  
at 11 a.m.  
UNDER BILLS OF SALE.**

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**HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS,  
Also, GRAND PLANT BROUGHTON COTTAGE PLANT  
(of Palmer and Bailey).**

For full particulars Wednesday Morning's Herald.  
Also, a **SEWING MACHINES** by various makers.

**E**VANS and CO. have been instructed by the Marquis to sell as above, Without Reserve.  
EVANS and CO., Auctioneers,  
Offices and Rooms, 31 Castle-martine-st. city. Tel. 27th.

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## WE'RE HUMMING WITH BUSINESS!

As we enjoy the hum and the bustle. It's what we're here for. We always give you a "SQUARE DEAL FOR A ROUND DOLLAR."

Everything related at the lowest best prices. We guarantee the quality. Ours is a store where confidence dwells and where the best of prices are given. No one pretends to value the quality of goods but we buy in the best quality from the best makers, and our customers are given the benefit of BEST CASE purchases.

Our numerous patterns are in

A VERITABLE SAVINGS BANK.

Thousands of pounds being saved in the year by placing their orders with us.

Who revolutionized the prices of all drugs? Who revolutionized the prices of all medicines? Who introduced the modern method of supplying the public with all the necessities of life from the Crystal Palace at the lowest possible prices?

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REFORM DRUGGISTS: WASHINGTON H. SOUL AND CO.

OUR KNOWLEDGE

OF DISPENSING IS COMPREHENSIVE AND COMPLETE. We studied it in all its branches, and make it a specialty. Our prescriptions are carefully and competently prepared, and the PURSUIT DRUGS

37 LADIES PLEASE NOTE OUR LADIES DEPARTMENT.

In luxuriously fitted up, and a complete TRAINED NURSE is in attendance daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GREAT DRUG EMPORIUMS, PITT-STREET.

THE LARGEST STOCK OF PATENT MEDICINES, CHEMISTS' AND DRUGGISTS' MATERIALS, and Surgical Appliances in the Southern Hemisphere. Nothing but the best quality of goods. Prices are the LOWEST in the city.

A NEW OF OUR PROPRIETARY ARTICLES—

A. B. G. Colloidal Baking or Yeast Powder, 2d per tin. A special one for all bakers. A. B. G. Colloidal Baking or Yeast Powder, 2d per tin. A special one for all bakers.

Just Opened a Splendid Lot

TRY OUR LATEST INVENTION OF NIGHT LIGHTS.

TRY OUR NICKEL-PLATED PICKING FLASKS.

Just the thing for the Easter Holidays.

WASHINGTON H. SOUL AND CO.

160 and 268 PITT-ST., SYDNEY, and at CHURCH-ST., PARRAMATTA.

Auction Sales.

SUMMER HILL.

IMPORTANT AND TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Under favored instructions from Mr. L. J. CORNELL.

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## NO CRISIS

In an early disposal of its every man's life the choice of what he should start making with the world. The choice will be made for him as a man, woman, and child, and he will, of course, choose, as many have done before him, to his future happiness.

## CAMEOS.

CAMEO COASTERS ARE ALL THAT COULD BE DESIRED.

A TEN THOUSAND POUND STOCK.

FURNITURE. CARPETS. BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING.

DISPLAYED IN THIRTY SHOWROOMS, ON VIEW AT.

A. HALL AND COMPANY'S.

THE UNIVERSAL HOUSE FURNISHERS.

HALLS' FURNITURE is all of the highest class, made, and sold.

HALLS' GREAT SUCCESS during the past 10 years has enabled us to extend our Showrooms, and make them one of the RIGHTS OF SYDNEY.

HALLS' NEW ILLUSTRATED FURNISHING GUIDE FOR 1898.

HALLS' PACK COUNTRY ORDERS FREE.

A. HALL AND COMPANY, MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS.

GOOD RELIABLE FURNITURE.

IMMENSE REDUCTIONS. IMMENSE REDUCTIONS. IMMENSE REDUCTIONS.

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## LAW REPORT.

MONDAY, APRIL 4.

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FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENT.

## THE FAR EAST.

## THE BRITISH NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.

## RESENTMENT IN JAPAN.

LONDON, April 3. The Japanese newspapers express the opinion that the British naval demonstration in the Gulf of Pechili has been directed in order to overawe China to make concessions to Great Britain. They complain that Japan is isolated, and they consequently entertain a feeling of resentment against Britain.

## RUSSIAN TROOPS THROUGH THE DARDANIELLES.

LONDON, April 4. Russia has informed the Sultan of Turkey that 20,000 Russian troops will shortly pass through the Dardanelles on their way to the Far East.

## THE "TIMES" STATES THAT CHINA HAS AGREED TO LEASE TO GREAT BRITAIN THE PORT OF WAI-HAI, IN THE GULF OF PECHILI, AFTER THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE JAPANESE IN MAY.

The "Daily News" states that no hint is to be taken of this claim.

It is believed that Russia acquiesces in the agreement, and that Japan is favourable to it.

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## AMERICA AND SPAIN.

WARLIKE FEELING IN WASHINGTON.

## ARMED INTERVENTION RECOMMENDED.

## EXCITEMENT IN NEW YORK.

LONDON, April 3. The Americans are buying every possible liner with a speed of over 10 knots, for the purpose of converting them into armed cruisers.

Prayers were offered in the churches in Madrid yesterday for the success of the impending war with America.

## AMERICA AND HAWAII.

LONDON, April 3. In the event of war breaking out the American flag will be hoisted at Hawaii, which will be used by the United States as a naval station.

## THE SPANISH TORPEDO FLOTILLA.

LONDON, April 4. The Spanish torpedo flotilla remains at Cape Verde pending the arrival of four armed cruisers to convey the flotilla to Cuba.

The Spanish Government issues Treasury notes to the value of 225,000,000 pesetas (about £8,000,000).

## REPORTED MEDIATION BY THE POPE.

LONDON, April 4. According to a Reuter's telegram the Spanish Minister for the Interior (Don Trinitario Capdepone) states that at the suggestion of America his Holiness the Pope has consented to mediate between that nation and Spain, and further, that both nations have agreed to accept such mediation.

## EXCITEMENT IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK.

LONDON, April 4. The Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate has agreed to recommend armed intervention in Cuba.

Wild excitement prevails in Washington and New York. More sober public opinion in the country, however, is content to await the decision of President McKinley. It is believed that Congress does not force his hand in the meantime.

## SUICIDE OF A SOCIALIST.

LONDON, April 4. Mrs. Eleanor Marx Aveling, the wife of Mr. Aveling, the well-known socialist writer and leader, and herself a prominent socialist speaker, has committed suicide.

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Monday. The Loch Shiel, which arrived from Glasgow on Saturday, reports that on February 24 one of the passengers, named James McCulloch, was engaged on the upper floor helping to fill a barrel when he fell and fell. He struck the mainmast and was killed.

## THE ELECTIONS AT THE CAPE.

LONDON, April 3. In connection with the general election at the Cape, Mr. Cecil Rhodes has secured the support of the Dutch party to his policy of equality for both races, which he is convinced will soon induce the federation of the English colonies.

## LARGE FIRE IN HUNGARY.

LONDON, April 3. A large fire has occurred at Fiume, the Adriatic. Several warehouses were destroyed. The fire was caused by the fall of a meteorite.

## THE PORTUGUESE IN SOUTH-EAST AFRICA.

LONDON, April 4. The Governor of the Portuguese colony of Mozambique, in South-East Africa, is visiting Berlin and has had a cordial reception. He declares that the object of his visit is to secure the permanent protection of Delagoa Bay against Great Britain.

## EXTENSIVE MINERS' STRIKE.

LONDON, April 3. Fifty thousand miners in South Wales have struck work for an increase in wages.

## DEATH OF LORD HILLINGDON.

LONDON, April 4. Baron Hillingdon, a partner in the banking house of Glyn, Mills, and Co., died suddenly in church on Sunday.

## MORTGAGE COMPANY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, April 4. The Mortgage Company of South Australia has declared a dividend of 5 per cent. pro annum.

## CHAMPION BILLIARD MATCH.

LONDON, April 4. A billiard match between Weiss, the champion of Australia, and Dawson, an English professional, has been commenced. At half-time the score was 1-0.

## THE WATERBURY WATCH.

LAUNCESTON, Monday. The arrangements for the Waterbury Watch are complete for the commencement at Campbelltown. It is believed there will be a better turnout than usual, as men are coming from all parts of the colony.

## BRYANT AND MAY'S VESSELS.

See that Bryant and May's vessels are not used for the purpose of carrying out the resolution declared unanimously.

## THE SHIELDS DIVORCE ACT.

MELBOURNE, Monday. The Shields Divorce Act, which was passed by the Victorian Parliament in 1886, is now being introduced into the House of Representatives.

## BUILDINGS IN COSSACK DESTROYED.

PERTH, Monday. Reports from Cossack state that a hurricane passed over that town on Saturday, lasting from 1 p.m. till 2 a.m. on Sunday. Great damage was done to the post-office.

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